the report of the Vigilance Cell of NDDB has been sent to the Chief Vigilance Commissioner of the Government of India.

Kelkar Committee Report on Natural Gas Pricing

1521. SHRI R. SURENDER REDDY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have taken any decision on the Kelkar Committee Report on Natural Gas Pricing;

(b) if so, the number of the recommendations accepted and rejected separately;

(c) the reasons for rejection; and

(d) the time by which the accepted recommendations are likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). The Kelkar Committee's recommendations have formed the basis, with suitable modifications, for the revised prices of natural gas that have been made effective from 1.1.1992.

[*Translation*]

Migration from Sindh, Pakistan

1522. SHRI DAU DAYAL JOSHI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Hindus who migrated to Gujarat, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and other parts of the country due to disturbances in the Sindh province of Pakistan during each of the last three years;

(b) whether the Government propose to provide statutory citizenship to those Hindus; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB) : (a) to (c). According to available information, there is no problem of any significant migration of Hindus from Pakistan. However, persons belonging to minority community in Pakistan, especially Sindhis have been coming to India on valid short term visas. While some of them have returned on expiry of visas, some have applied for long term visas. Their cases are considered sympathetically on merit.

[*English*]

Pressler's Visit to India

1523. SHRI SHRAVAN KUMAR PATEL:
SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH:
SHRI J. CHOKKA RAO:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the US Senator Mr. Larry Pressler visited India recently;

(b) if so, the objectives of the visit; and

(c) the outcome of the talks held by him with Indian leaders?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The purpose of the visit was to exchange views on regional security and non-proliferation issues in the context of the Pressler Amendment.

(c) Senator Pressler has stated that he has developed a better understanding of India's viewpoint on these issues.

Second Gas Terminal at Usar in Raigad District of Maharashtra

1524. SHRI ANKUSHRAO RAOSAHEB TOPE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have taken any decision to set up a second gas terminal at Usar in Raigad district of Maharashtra; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

Areas Hit by Riots Due to Cauvery Water Dispute

1525. SHRI G.M.C. BALAYOGI:
DR. (SRIMATI) K.S. SOUNDARAM:
SHRIMATI CHANDRA PRABHA URS:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government had sent during December, 1991 Central observers for an on-the-spot study of the areas hit by riots due to Cauvery water dispute;

(b) if so, whether any report has been submitted to the Government;

(c) if so, the main recommendations made therein;

(d) the follow-up action taken/being taken thereon;

(e) whether the Union Government have provided any financial assistance to the concerned State Governments; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The report *inter-alia* suggested for restoration of normalcy and provision of relief assistance to the riot-victims.

(d) 'Public Order' and 'Police' being State subjects follow up action on the report is being taken by the Governments of Karnataka and Tamil Nadu.

(e) and (f). Government of India have issued necessary instructions regarding expeditous settlement of insurance claim arising out riots in Karnataka and Tamil Nadu on the same scale and in the same manner as applied to the Delhi riots-victims of 1984.

[*English*]

Police Forces in States

1526. SHRIMATI BASAVA RAJESWARI:
SHRI BALRAJ PASSI:
SHRI RAMKRISHNA KUSMARIA:
SHRI PRABHU DAYAL KATHERIA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state: